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**DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION** 

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Electrical Examiners Workshop

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at 11:00 p.m.

PLACE: Cannon Bldg., Conference Room A

861 Silver Lake Blvd Dover, DE 19904

MINUTES APPROVED: November 2, 2011

# **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Robert Sharp, President, Professional Member Frank Beebe, Public Member Nathan Schreppler, Secretary, Public Member

# **MEMBERS ABSENT**

There were no members absent.

### **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II Danny Stevenson, Deputy Attorney General

# **OTHERS PRESENT**

Ed Capodanno Cheryl Heik Dan Delcollo Ken Adams Steven Dignan

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Sharp called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

# **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. Schreppler, to approve the minutes from the September 7, 2011 meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Board discussed what items will need to be addressed during the Workshops.

Mr. Sharp went over the letter to the Board from ABC which outlines some recommendations that they feel the Board should consider when creating the rules and regulations to accompany the

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Journeyman and Apprentice licenses, including the need for different categories for the Journeyman license.

Mr. Stevenson advised that this would be another statute change.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Delcollo stated that the way the new bill reads either it will need to be amended to fit with the law or the law will need to be amended to fit with the bill. He added that HB180 states that if a person touches wires they will need to be licensed where the current law states the opposite. This will significantly impact people with service departments and the ratio of apprentices to Journeyman.

There was back and forth discussion on the Department of labor not recognizing "preapprentices."

Mr. Adams stated that this was the second Workshop for the Board he has attended and feels that in the discussions he is just being told what cannot be done versus what can be done. He asked if it would assist the Board if in November he came back with what should be added to the law to make everything fit. Mr. Sharp stated that would be very helpful.

Mr. Sharp stated that the items the will need to be addressed in future Workshops are: fees associated with both Journeyman and Apprentice licenses, continuing education requirements, Grandfathering provisions and enforcement.

In closing, Mr. Sharp added that during the November meeting Mr. Stevenson will clarify if the addition of a pre-apprentice will be a statute or regulatory change.

#### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next scheduled Workshop will be on November 2, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Bldg. 861 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover DE.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. Schreppler, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Witte Administrative Specialist II